

**Renee Jenkins, M.D.**

Renée R. Jenkins, M. D. has achieved distinction in the areas of adolescent health and meeting the needs of underserved children, both nationally and in her community. She is a professor in the Department of Pediatrics and Child Health at Howard University, and an adjunct professor of Pediatrics at George Washington University, both in Washington, DC. Dr. Jenkins graduated from Wayne State University School of Medicine and completed her residency at Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Jacobi Hospital in New York City. After completing her fellowship in Adolescent Medicine at Montifiore Hospital, Dr. Jenkins started an adolescent medicine program at Howard University. In 1994, Dr. Jenkins was appointed Department Chair of Pediatrics. She served in this capacity until March 2007. She is currently the Principal Investigator at Howard for the DC-Baltimore Research Center on Child Health Disparities, in collaboration with Children's National Medical Center, Johns Hopkins University Pediatrics Department, Primary Care Division and the DC Health Department.

Dr. Jenkins became President of the American Academy of Pediatrics at the 2007 annual meeting. As a member of the AAP, Dr. Jenkins has served on the Committee on Adolescence, several AAP task forces and committees, including the Task Forces on Pediatric AIDS, and Reimbursement, the Committee on Federal Government Affairs, the Committee on Pediatric Research and chaired the Committee on Community Health Services. Dr. Jenkins was of the Society for Adolescent Medicine and Pediatric Section Chair of the National Medical Association. She is a member of the American Pediatric Society, Ambulatory Pediatric Association and the Institute of Medicine (IOM), having served on the IOM Board on Children, Youth and Families. In DC, Dr. Renée Jenkins and colleagues founded the Center for Youth Services, and she chaired the Mayor's Committee on Teen Pregnancy Prevention. She is currently the -Chair of the Alan Guttmacher Institute (NYC), Board of Directors.

At Howard University, her research focuses on adolescent pregnancy prevention. Her publications and presentations range from adolescent health and sexuality to violence prevention and health issues of minority children. She has been the primary author of the adolescent section of Nelson's Textbook of Medicine for the last 3 editions and she lectures throughout the United States and abroad.